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TRANSMITTAL LETTER			Case No. 5658/925
Serial No. 10/629,465	Filing Date July 23, 2003	Examiner Not Yet Assigned	Group Art Unit Not Yet Assigned
Inventor(s) Pigford et al.			
Title of Invention FASTENER EXTRACTOR			

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Transmitted herewith is Transmittal Letter (in duplicate); Information Disclosure Statement; PTO Form 1499; and postcard evidencing receipt of same.

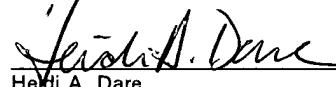
- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- Petition for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension of time.
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Pigford et al.

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For: FASTENER EXTRACTOR

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

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Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record.

The references now cited are the following:

**UNITED STATES PATENT DOCUMENTS**

No.	Patent No.	Date	Name
A1	3,161,090	December 15, 1964	S.B. McLellan
A2	3,996,819	December 14, 1976	J.E. King
A3	4,607,547	August 26, 1986	D.G. Martus
A4	4,671,141	June 9, 1987	A.R. Hanson
A5	4,947,712	August 14, 1990	R.C. Brosnan
A6	5,551,320	September 3, 1996	B.R. Horobec et al.
A7	5,737,981	April 14, 1998	D.L. Hildebrand
A8	6,003,411	December 21, 1999	R.L. Knox et al.
A9	6,047,620	April 11, 2000	B. Kozak et al.

**OTHER ART DOCUMENTS**

No.	
A10	J.H. Williams Advertisement, page 3, TURBOSOCKET Salvage Sockets

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g),(h), this Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the receipt of the first Official Action reflecting an examination on the merits and hence is believed to be timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b). No fees are believed to be due in connection with filing of this Information Disclosure Statement, however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to these material, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed.

This application is a continuation application of U.S. Serial No. 10/051, 351, filed January 18, 2002 and is relied upon for an earlier filing dated under 35 U.S.C. § 120. In accordance with Rule 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d) only copies of documents not previously cited and submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office in the prior application Serial No. 10/051, 351 are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

Applicant(s) respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

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**REFERENCE DESIGNATION**      **U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER Number-Kind Code (if known)	DATE	NAME	CLASS/ SUBCLASS	FILING DATE
A1	3,161,090	12-15-1964	S.B. McLellan	81/53	10-17-1962
A2	3,996,819	12-14-1976	J.E. King	81/121R	01-13-1976
A3	4,607,547	08-26-1986	D.G. Martus	81/53.2	02-06-1985
A4	4,671,141	06-09-1987	A.R. Hanson	81/53.2	09-18-1985
A5	4,947,712	08-14-1990	R.C. Brosnan	81/53.2	09-06-1988
A6	5,551,320	09-03-1996	B.R. Horobec et al.	81/53.2	07-24-1995
A7	5,737,981	04-14-1998	D.L. Hildebrand	81/53.2	04-02-1997
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**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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**EXAMINER INITIAL**      **OTHER ART – NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS**

(Include name of author, title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.)

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